



# The Horizon



## From the Mayor's Office:

Winter has finally relinquished its icy grip and we in the City of Menasha are ready for a great summer filled with fun activities. Midwest Sunsplash, Bazaar After Dark, Twisted Pistons, and the Farm Fresh Market will be returning downtown following the reconstruction of Main Street. Jefferson Park will host the Fox Valley Food Truck Rally, Seafood Fest, Jazz Fest, and Community Fest, as well as family sailing and a Dive-In Movie. New this year, the Fox Valley Force, a minor football league, will be playing at Calder Stadium in May, June, and July.

An outpouring of generosity with donations from around the state allowed the Twin Trestles of Loop the Lake to be built throughout the winter. We'll be celebrating with a ribbon cutting and activities around the entire 5K loop on June 23rd. You will also see a new playground at Koslo Park this summer and upgrades to Hart and Shepard Parks, giving us all more opportunities to enjoy the outdoors.

With Spring comes spring yard work, City Spring Clean Up yard waste collection starts April 10th and runs through April 20th. Check the Public Works section inside for more details. Be sure to put your yard waste in biodegradable bags or containers.

Finally, I'd like to congratulate the Menasha Police Department, one of only 41 agencies statewide, who was unanimously granted accreditation from WILEAG in December. The accreditation is a highly prized recognition in law enforcement and verifies that our department meets or exceeds statewide standards and has policies to ensure the utmost accountability to our residents.

## Spring 2018

### [Quick Directory](#)

#### **City Hall**

M-F 8:00am-4:00pm  
920-967-3600

#### **Public Works Facility**

M-F 7:00am-3:00pm  
920-967-3620

#### **Police Department**

Open 24 hours daily  
920-967-3500

#### **Menasha Public Library**

##### [School Year Hours:](#)

M-Th 8:30am-8:30pm  
Fri 8:30am-6:00pm  
Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm  
Sunday 1:00pm-5:00pm  
[Summer Hours begin 5/26](#)  
M-Th 8:30am-8:30pm  
Fri 8:30am-6:00pm  
Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm  
Sunday Closed  
920-967-3660

#### **Menasha Utilities**

M-F 7:30am-4:00pm  
920-967-3400

#### **Menasha Health Dept.**

M-F 8:00am-4:00pm  
920-967-3520

### **Airing of Common Council Meetings**

City of Menasha Common Council meetings can be viewed on the City of Menasha website under the Agendas, Minutes and Televised Meetings link.

[cityofmenasha-wi.gov](http://cityofmenasha-wi.gov)

## Neenah-Menasha Fire Rescue Update

Now that it is officially Spring we would like to give you an update on what your firefighters have been up to. Firefighters have spent most of the past few months training for the ice season on our area lakes and rivers. You may have seen them out dive training or operating our husky air boat practicing for the sturgeon spearing season and other ice activities. Over the next few months firefighters are being re-certified as first responders and have currently completed their CPR and other training will continue over the next few months.



Your firefighters assisted at a couple events over the past few months; one was the Doty Island Winter Gala at the Menasha Memorial Building on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and the other was the Water Rescue benefit on February 10<sup>th</sup> during opening day of sturgeon spearing at Waverly Beach.

Neenah-Menasha Fire Rescue has a new Assistant Chief of Training; Jim Peglow, a 24 year veteran of the fire department, was promoted at the end of February; he will assume the duties of our former Assistant Chief, Mike Sipin. In the next month we will also have two new firefighters start their recruit academy and start on shift sometime in May. These new firefighters were hired due to the retirement of Brian Fahrenkrug after 31 years and Assistant Chief Mike Sipin after 9 years.

Your firefighters are also planning for "Rock the Block" where we help provide residents with Smoke Detectors. This event is in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity. A week ago we had to change our clocks, so remember that it is also time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors! Watch our Facebook page for upcoming events and other activities.

### **Did you know...**

#### **The City of Menasha Parks and Recreation Department offers discount attraction tickets?**

Milwaukee County Zoo — Mt. Olympus Theme & Water Park — Noah's Ark Waterpark — Six Flags Great America

Tickets available in the Parks & Recreation Office  
100 Main Street, Second Floor—M-F 8-4

## Menasha Events

- 4/3—Spring Election—Polls open 7am-8pm
- 4/27—Arbor Day Ceremony—9am @ Banta School
- 5/22—Menasha All City Grade School Track and Field Wellness Day—9:15 @Calder Stadium
- 5/28—Memorial Day Waterfront Ceremony 8am
- 5/28—Memorial Day Parade 9am
- 6/5—Fox Valley Food Truck Rally—Jefferson Park
- 6/14—10/25—Menasha Farm Fresh Market—Thursdays 2-6pm—Marina Terrace Downtown
- 6/17—Father's Day—Dads swim free @ the Menasha Pool
- 6/23—Loop the Little Lake Trail Grand Opening—8am
- 6/23—Blue Inn Park Dance—7-10pm @Smith Park Pavilion
- 7/3—Communityfest—Curtis Reed Square from noon to 9:30pm
- 7-3—Parade of Lights—9:15 start in Riverside Park in Neenah to Downtown Menasha
- 7/4—Jefferson Park music and food begins @ Noon; Festival Foods Fireworks @ 9:30pm
- 7/10—Fox Valley Food Truck Rally—Jefferson Park
- 7/25—Dive-In Movie Night—featuring Moana—Menasha Pool opens @ 6:30pm
- 7/28—Midwest Sunsplash
- 8/9—Corny Community Walk— 5pm @Jefferson Park
- 8/11—38th Annual Grunski Runski and Kids Bubble Runski
- 8/14—Partisan Primary—Polls open 7am-8pm
- 8/16—Twisted Pistons Car Show—Downtown Menasha
- 8/28—Fox Valley Food Truck Rally—Jefferson Park
- 9/1-2—Jazzfest—Jefferson Park
- 9/3—Labor Day Parade 10am
- 9/7-8—Seafood Fest—Jefferson Park
- 9/12—Bazaar after Dark—Downtown—5-10pm
- 9/13-15—Rock the Block
- 11/6—General Election—Polls open 7am-8pm

## From the Desk of Code Compliance and Enforcement

Once again, Spring is here and people are itching to get outside and enjoy the outdoors. This brings up the two most common complaints. The first is the storage of junk and the second is junked vehicles. While some people may say, "one person's junk is another's treasure," per City Ordinance this is not the case. City Code states:



### **SEC. 11-3-7 STORAGE OF JUNK, ETC REGULATED.**

*No person shall store junked or discarded property including automobiles\*, automobile parts, trucks, tractors, refrigerators, furnaces, washing machines, stoves, machinery or machinery parts, wood, bricks, cement blocks or other unsightly debris which substantially depreciates property values in the neighborhood except or upon permit issued by the Common Council. The Chief of Police may require by written order any premises violating this Section to be put in compliance within the time specified in such order and, if the order is not complied with, may have the premises put in compliance and the cost thereof assessed as a special tax against the property.*

### **SEC. 10-4-8 JUNKED AUTOMOBILES REGULATED.**

*The following conditions shall constitute prima facie evidence that a vehicle on public or private property in the City constitutes a junk vehicle:*

- 1) *Unlicensed or improperly registered vehicles*
- 2) *Broken or cracked windows or windshields*
- 3) *Flat tires or vehicles without tires*
- 4) *Vehicles without bumpers*
- 5) *Vehicles that do not start or continue to run*
- 6) *Vehicles that are in violation of any of the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code Trans 305) (Any other condition that can reasonably be construed as evidence that a vehicle is a junk vehicle (as defined by Wis. State Statute)*

It is understood that once the Wisconsin winter has passed, these issues will become more visible. The job of the Code Compliant and Enforcement unit is to achieve compliance through education and information. The first step in the process when a violation is found is to complete a Notice of Violation form and give it to the property owner. If voluntary compliance is not obtained, the owner could be cited for the violation until the situation is corrected.

The overall goal is to ensure properties are kept in an orderly fashion for the enjoyment of everyone living in the neighborhood. If you have any questions, concerns, or wish to report a violation please call Joe Polzien at 920-967-3548.

## Residential Energy Savings



Visit the Menasha Utilities website

([www.menashautilities.com](http://www.menashautilities.com)) for current Menasha Utilities rebates, available Focus on Energy Program details, and rebate applications.

- **Appliance Rebate:** Menasha Utilities offers a rebate for \$25-\$50 toward the purchase of certain Energy Star Appliances (limit 2 per household).
- **LED Bulb Rebate:** Menasha Utilities is offering up to a \$5 rebate for each Energy Star bulb (up to 50% of the cost and limit 4 per household)
- **Central Air-Conditioner Tune-up rebate is back!** Starting in April, receive \$25 towards the cost of a tune-up

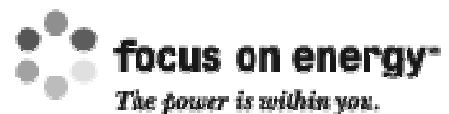
If you qualified for 2017-2018 Energy Assistance, you may be able to double your Appliance and LED rebates—not to exceed the price of the appliance.



**Tree Power Program:** Trees can also save you energy and money! Properly planted around your home, shade trees can lower your cooling costs in the summer. Starting in April, we're offering up to a \$50 per tree rebate (limit 3 per household) when you buy and plant deciduous trees.

MU is planning another educational series at the Menasha Public Library this year. If you have input about the subject matter or timing of the series, please contact Lisa Miotke, Energy Services Representative, at 920-967-3405. We appreciate your input as we plan this series.

All MU customers have access to Focus



on Energy programs and services. For more information, call (800) 762-7077 or visit [www.focusonenergy.com](http://www.focusonenergy.com)

Focus on Energy has implemented a Smart thermostat rebate, added more Simple Energy Efficiency FREE packages, and started a new Online Market Place for Energy Smart Appliance purchases. Check their website for details on all programs available.



## Did you know...

**Door to door sales are upon us. You have the right to say no! Here are some ways to limit door sales at your home.**

1. Post a "No Soliciting" sign. You can get them at many hardware stores.
2. Remember you have the right to privacy. If someone shows up on your doorstep, you have the right to tell them to leave. If they do not, you should call the police. Please call our non-emergency number right away. 920-967-3500.

## Library Events

- April 1—Closed for Easter
- April 8-14—Food for Fines
- April 10—Family Movie Night 6:30pm
- April 14—Jazz Concert with MJD 2pm
- April 17 & 24—Poetry Workshop
- April 18—Memory Café
- April 18—Bookfolding Basics
- April 19—Lights of the Lakes—A Great Lakes Lighthouse Slideshow 6:30pm
- April 20—Unicorn Party 1:30pm
- April 24—La Cuentista Lista: Kay Weeden, The Clever Storyteller 10am
- April 24—Investments Fundamentals: Money Smart Week—Fox Cities 6:30pm
- April 25—Big Birds of Menasha 6pm
- April 26—Play Script Club 7pm
- April 29—Author: David Galassi 2pm
- May 1—Juggler Bob Kann 6:30pm
- May 2—Mother Goose Day 10am
- May 7—Community Blood Drive 3:30pm
- May 11—Diggers 'n' Dents 10am
- May 15—Rich Baumann in Concert 6:30pm
- May 18—Gossie and Gertie Book Party 10am
- August 6—Community Blood Drive

### **Recurring events:**

- Legal Clinic—First Tuesday of each month—4:30-6:30pm
- Bilingual Story Time—Thursdays 11-11:30 am
- Family Story Time—Mondays 10-10:30 am
- Book Discussion—third Tuesday of each month—2pm
- Preschool Planters Storytime—Mondays May 7, 14, & 21 @ 10am



## Su biblioteca pública

Programas, libros, audiolibros, DVDs, música, exhibiciones, y mas!

Todo a ningún costo en su biblioteca pública!

Obtener su tarjeta de biblioteca es muy fácil.

### **En Abril:**

- 14 de Abril, 2:00pm—Concierto de Jazz. Para todos las edades
- Jueves de Abril, 11:00am—Hora de cuento bilingue Ingles y Español. Para niños en edad pre-escolar 0-5
- 10 de Abril, 6:30pm—Cine familiar: Coco © 2017 Disney
- 24 de Abril, 10:00am—el día de los niños / el día de los libros

Libros en español para niños y adultos.

¿Preguntas?. Llamar a Ana Maria 920.967.3691



## Did you know...

**The library has a summer reading program for everyone of every age!**

Sign up at the library anytime after May 1; reading logs, prizes, and programs start in June. Pick up a schedule of events when you sign up. Read for fabulous prizes!

## Fireworks

Last year Menasha, like other Fox Cities Communities, saw a 25% increase in the number of calls about illegal fireworks. Many of the fireworks sold in Wisconsin are legal to buy, but not legal to set off in most communities. These illegal fireworks impact the quality of life for pet owners and some members of our community that have served in the armed forces. The simple rule of thumb in Menasha is if the firework explodes or shoots something up in the air, it is illegal. Things like sparklers and cones that emit sparks are legal. If you are unsure if something you purchased is legal please don't hesitate to contact the Menasha Police Department at 920-967-3500 or Neenah Menasha Fire Rescue at 920-886-6200. Please be considerate of your neighbors this summer.





# *In The Works...*

A Department of Public Works Update

[www.cityofmenasha-wi.gov](http://www.cityofmenasha-wi.gov)

Spring 2018

## *Baldwin Street Facility*

### **Public Works Facility Usage**

The Public Works Facility is open to City of Menasha residents for disposal of yard waste and recyclable items only.

- Be prepared to identify yourself and/or the property where the material is coming from.
- Be courteous and alert; trucks and machinery are constantly in use by employees.
- Speed should not exceed five (5) miles per hour.
- Place material in proper areas.
- If you aren't sure if the material can be collected at the facility, stop at the office to ask.

Communities have closed their drop off sites due to violators causing unmanageable disposal costs.

### **Tire Disposal**

The Public Works Facility accepts tires with rims removed during normal operating hours. Please note that tires will not be collected at the curb. The following fees apply.

Car tires (16" or smaller): \$4.00      Truck tires: \$6.00      Tractor tires: \$9.00      Pedal Bike tires: garbage

### **Freon Appliances and Microwaves**

All Freon-based appliances, (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, etc.) and microwaves require a disposal permit which is \$15.00 each. Permits can be purchased at the Menasha City Center or the Public Works Facility. The appliances can be collected curbside with the Freon permit and a bulky item sticker or dropped off at the Public Works Facility.

#### **Public Works Facility**

455 Baldwin Street  
Telephone (920) 967-3620  
Fax (920) 967-5270

#### **Year Round Office Hours**

Monday-Friday  
7:00 am until 3:00 pm

#### **Recycle Center Hours**

Daily 6:00 am – 8:00 pm

#### **Extended Summer Yard Hours**

April 21, 2018 – November 21, 2018  
Monday – Friday, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Saturday, 8:00 am -1:00 pm

#### **Winter Yard Hours**

November 22, 2018 – April 20, 2019  
Monday – Friday, 7:00 am – 3:00 pm

#### **2018 Holiday Refuse Collection Schedule**

<i>If your regular collection day is:→</i>	<i>Your holiday collection day will be:</i>
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#### **Memorial Day 2018**

Monday, May 28 →	Tuesday, May 29
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#### **Independence Day 2018**

Wednesday, July 4 →	Thursday, July 5
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#### **Labor Day 2018**

Monday, September 3 →	Tuesday, September 4
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#### **Thanksgiving 2018**

Thursday, November 22→	Tuesday, November 20
Friday, November 23→	Wednesday, November 21

#### **Christmas 2018**

Monday, December 24 -->	Wednesday, December 26
Tuesday, December 25	Thursday, December 27

# Curbside Service

## AUTOMATED REFUSE COLLECTION

To help the automated refuse truck operators be most effective, the following guidelines have been established:

- Carts must be curbside for pickup by 7:00 am (**carts can be placed at curb after 4 pm the day prior**).
- Refuse carts need to be placed five (5) feet from obstructions (other carts, trees, poles, recycling, overflow bags, bulky items, mailboxes, etc.).
- Place refuse cart so the arrows on the lid point toward the street.
- Refuse carts containing recyclable items will not be emptied.
- Do not place refuse carts on snow banks.
- Lids need to be closed.
- Metal items must be stickered as bulky/overflow collection items or brought to our scrap metal collection site.

## OVERFLOW/BULKY ITEMS DISPOSAL PROGRAM

Menasha residents have done very well with this program. To be cost effective, a city ordinance was established to standardize the level of service for one (1) to four (4) dwelling units up to 64 gallons of refuse collection per unit each week. An upgrade to a 96-gallon cart is available for families regularly exceeding the standard volume at a cost of \$1.00 per week. Any refuse outside of the cart with an appropriate sticker on it will be picked up on garbage day.

Each household is provided five (5) bulky/overflow stickers per year; the stickers were mailed to your home with other annual information in the fall issue of *The Horizon* Newsletter in October, 2017. Additional stickers may be purchased at City Hall or the Public Works Facility. The cost of each **overflow sticker** for a single (less than 33 gallons or 30 pounds) bag outside of cart is \$1.00. **Bulky item stickers** (for a couch, stove, table, etc.) cost \$15.00 each.

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### Annual Spring Yard Waste Clean-Up

#### **REQUIREMENT FOR COLLECTION – NO PLASTIC BAGS**

Yard waste will be collected curbside on the working day following your regular refuse collection day during a two-week period (see schedule below). If schedules are delayed due to unforeseen difficulties, service will be extended one week to compensate for lost time. Please note the following guidelines and packaging requirements must be followed during yard waste collection:

- Yard waste must be separated from refuse, placed in **paper biodegradable bags, buckets, or baskets only** and placed on the terrace for collection (not in the street).
- Corrugated boxes are **not** acceptable containers.
- Biodegradable paper bags when filled with yardwaste shall not exceed a 50# weight limit.
- Buckets & baskets must have external handles and shall not exceed 33 gallons or 30 pounds weight.
- Leaves not collected last fall are to be placed in approved container for collection or brought to the Public Works Facility during operating hours.

#### **If your Regular Refuse Collection Day is:**

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday

#### **Your Yard Waste Spring Clean-up Collection Day will be:**

Tuesday, April 10 & 17  
Wednesday, April 11 & 18  
Thursday, April 12 & 19  
Friday, April 13 & 20  
Monday, April 9 & 16

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### Brush & Limb Collection Program

Public Works crews will chip branches and limbs curbside **the first full week of each month year round on your regular refuse collection day. Holidays do not change this schedule.** Collection weeks are referenced on the calendar (with an arrow) in this newsletter. Between scheduled collection periods, residents may also bring branches, limbs, and yardwaste to the drop-off site at the Public Works Facility, contract with the Public Works Department, or a private contractor for disposal. **Private contractors are responsible for disposing of the brush they cut.** Please follow these instructions for curbside branch & limb collection and placement:

- Place branches & limbs at the curb in loose piles, not bundled, with all cut ends in the same direction.
  - Branches and limbs may not exceed 10 inches in diameter, must be greater than 1 foot in length, and have no root ball attached.
  - Longer lengths are easier and safer to handle.
  - Twigs & miscellaneous cuttings that can fit in a bag must be dropped off at the Public Works Facility.
  - The City will not collect branches & limbs resulting from the clearance of a parcel for construction.
  - **Branches & limbs may not be placed at the curb more than 48 hours prior to your collection day.**
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# Curbside Service


## **MENASHA RECYCLING PROGRAM**

Residential recyclables are collected 18 times per year curbside on your regular refuse collection day. See link below for schedule


<http://www.cityofmenasha-wi.gov/collection>


## **SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING**


 **RECYCLABLE CONTAINERS INCLUDE:** Bakery, dairy, deli, carry-out containers, pre-packaged lunch meat containers, produce containers & lids, and milk, juice, and soup cartons.

 **PLASTIC BAGS OF ANY COLOR OR TYPE ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE RECYCLING STREAM.** Recycle plastic bags at participating retail locations.

 **PLACE SHREDDED PAPER IN A PAPER BAG AND STAPLE SHUT.**

 **CO-MINGLE PAPER PRODUCTS, GLASS, ALUMINUM, TIN, PLASTIC HOUSEHOLD CONTAINERS.** Keep it Clean: empty and rinse all bottles and containers to remove food and liquid. Remove and discard plastic screw lids; no need to remove labels. Recycle metal lids.

 **IF YOUR RECYCLABLE MATERIAL EXCEEDS THE STANDARD 96-GALLON CONTAINER, ADDITIONAL CONTAINERS THAT DO NOT EXCEED A 50 POUNDS WEIGHT LIMIT AND HAVE EXTERNAL HANDLES CAN BE USED FOR OVERFLOW RECYCLABLES.** A recycling label to identify the container is available from our public works office at no charge.

 **USE THE RECYCLING CENTER FOR ADDITIONAL RECYCLING AND LARGE CARDBOARD** (which does not need to be broken down). Recycling Center Hours Daily 6:00am - 8:00pm.

## **RECYCLE THESE PAPER PRODUCTS:**

- newspapers and paper grocery bags
- magazines, catalogs, paperbacks printing/writing paper, and phone books
- corrugated cardboard (with wavy inside)
- chipboard/fiberboard (cereal boxes, beverage boxes, etc.)
- junk mail, solicitations, advertisements, etc.)
- Hard cover books
- Milk, juice & soup cartons



## **RECYCLE THESE CONTAINERS:**

- aluminum, empty aerosol (caps & nozzle removed), tin cans (labels & lids can be left on)
- glass bottles & jars (any color) – **REMOVE and DISPOSE OF PLASTIC SCREW CAPS**
- household plastic containers and lid

## **KEEP IT CLEAN:**

- Rinse your cans/bottles to remove food & liquid.

## **THROW THESE ITEMS AWAY:**

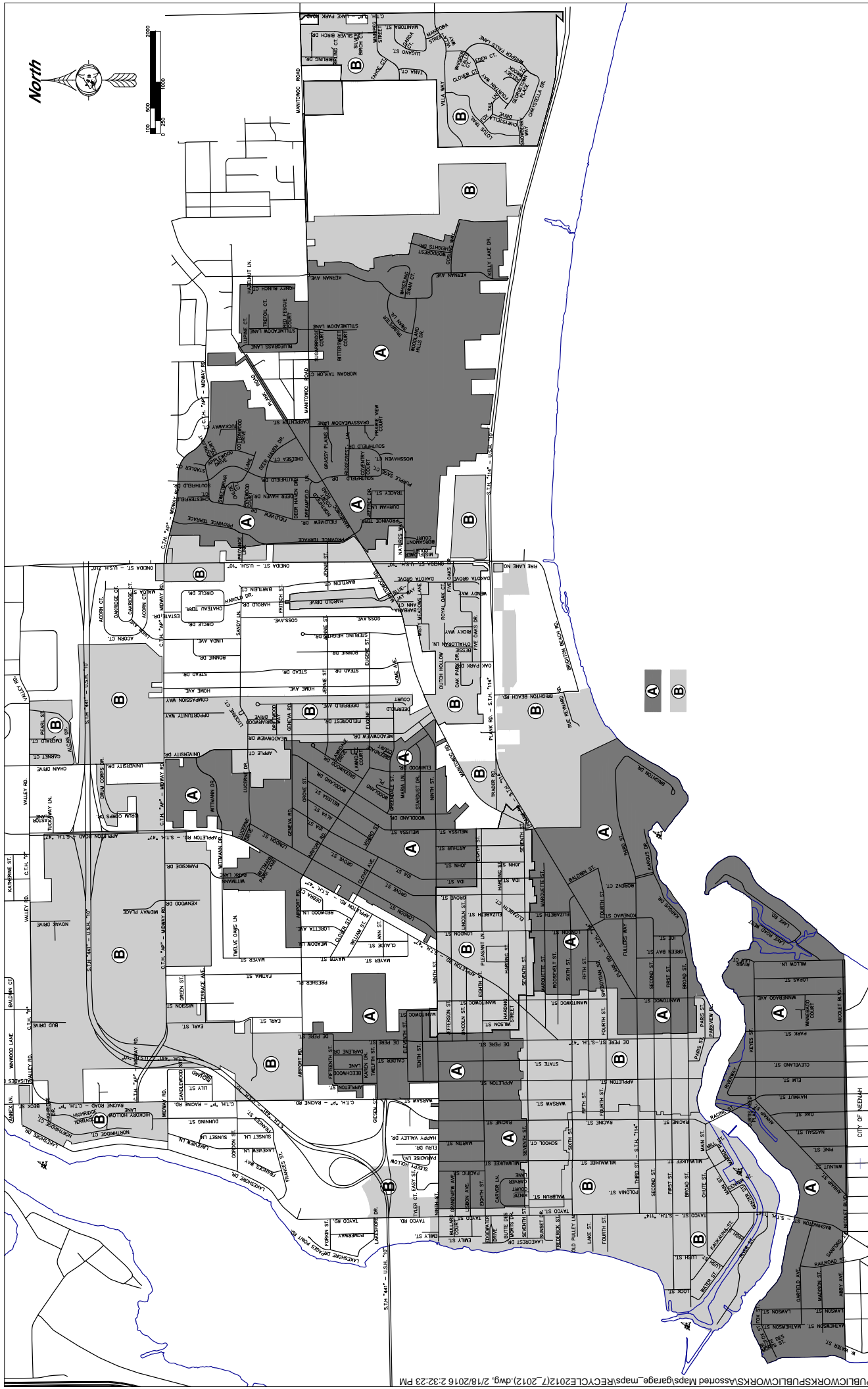
- paper plates, napkins, paper with food on it, and pizza boxes
- waxed paper or waxed boxes
- aluminum foil, Styrofoam
- plastic toys, baskets, bags, totes
- plastic planters, pots, buckets, tables, and chairs
- plastic motor or vegetable oil bottles
- plastic screw-on caps from jars and bottles
- window glass, ceramics, drinking glasses, mirrors, and light bulbs
- vinyl siding, empty paint cans
- bike tires
- Styrofoam packing



**KEEP ITEMS OUT OF THE LANDFILL, BE KIND TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND RECYCLE CURBSIDE OR AT THE RECYCLE CENTER.**









# RECYCLING CALENDAR FOR 2018 CYCLE A and B SCHEDULES

## Please Save for Future Use

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## CYCLE A

**NOTE:** Recycling collection schedules are adjusted to help avoid holiday conflicts.

Holidays do not change the brush collection schedule.

# *2018 Winnebago County Agriculture & Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep*

The 2018 Agriculture & Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep allows farmers and residents of Winnebago County the opportunity to safely dispose of various agriculture and household hazardous waste at no cost. Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) business waste will be accepted for a disposal fee. **APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED.** Book your appointment online at [www.WinnebagoCountyCleanSweep.com](http://www.WinnebagoCountyCleanSweep.com) or call 920-232-1850. Appointments will be accepted after March 1, 2018. The collection events are sponsored in part by Winnebago County Solid Waste, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection grant funds and user donations.

## **Collection Event Dates**

Friday, April 20th from 9:00am – 11:00am  
Omro Fire Department, 520 W. Huron St., Omro

Friday, April 20th from 3:00pm – 6:00pm  
City of Menasha Public Works Facility, 455 Baldwin St., Menasha

Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am – 12:00pm  
City of Neenah Public Works Facility, 1495 Tullar Rd., Neenah

If you have household hazardous waste and are unable to make these collection dates, consider using the permanent, seasonal collection facility located in Oshkosh. Details are available at [www.WinnebagoCountySolidWaste.com](http://www.WinnebagoCountySolidWaste.com) or call 920-232-1856.

## *Good Dog, Good Owner*

### **You can be a responsible pet owner and protect our waters.**

Your dog brings a lot of joy to your life. Enjoying your four legged friend doesn't need to come at the price of clean water. We can have both. But to make it happen, we all need to think a little differently.

### **More to waste than meets the eye**

Pet waste is not only an unpleasant find on yard or sidewalk; it carries bacteria that cause beach closings in the summer. Campylobacteriosis and salmonellosis are often the cause of the "24-hour bug." They're transferred through fecal material from an infected person or animal.

Toxoplasmosis is carried by a single-cell parasite that lives in infected animal feces, usually cats. In pregnant women, it can pass through the umbilical cord to the unborn fetus, causing serious abnormalities.

### **Waste Disposal**

Prevent bacteria in our streams by carrying small plastic bags when walking your dog. Collect droppings, tie a knot in the bag, and dispose of it properly. Do not throw pet waste down the sewer.

At home, pick up pet waste often. Even waste in your backyard can pollute local waterways. You can flush the waste down the toilet, put it in your trash can, or bury it in your yard.

# 2018 Street and Utility Construction

2018 looks to be a very busy construction year for the Department. Unit 2018-01 is the new street construction of Main Street from Tayco Street to 200 feet east of Mill Street. The proposed street will be two feet narrower than the existing Main Street section to allow for new street light base locations and to provide ADA compliant sidewalks. The existing trees were removed to allow for this new street and sidewalk construction with the understanding that new planting beds and trees will be placed and landscaped after the construction is complete. This construction project is scheduled to start on April 9, 2018 with substantial completion by June 1, 2018.



Unit 2017-02 involves new street and sidewalk construction in the Ponds of Menasha – Phase I, the Cottages of Lake Park Condominiums, Villa Way from Lake Park Road to Fountain Way and along Fountain Way from Fox Tail Lane to the existing trail system, street and sidewalk construction/reconstruction on Alva Street (Visgro Street to Grove Street), Ida Street (Airport Road to Geneva Road) and First Street (Racine Street to De Pere Street). Construction on this project is expected to start in early July 2018 and be completed by October 26, 2018.

Sanitary Sewer on Broad Street (Tayco Street to Racine Street) will be updated beginning in mid-June 2018 with completion later in the summer. This sanitary sewer construction will be done in conjunction with the Menasha Utilities water main Project and administered by Menasha Utilities. This work is being done in advance of the proposed WisDOT Street Construction Project in this area scheduled for 2019.

The WisDOT “441” expansion continues to move forward at a very aggressive pace with the Midway Road and Oneida Street area receiving considerable updates as well as the mainline “441” corridor. The Midway Road interchange is scheduled to be completed in 2019. The Oneida Street interchange is scheduled to be completed in 2019 with additional mainline “441/10” construction ongoing in 2018 and 2019. For updated WisDOT construction information please visit their website at [projects.511wi.gov/wis441](http://projects.511wi.gov/wis441)

As always, thank you to the residents and businesses affected by the construction for your patience and understanding. It is greatly appreciated.

## Electronic Recycling Event

**Saturday, May 19, 2018 8AM-12PM**  
**Menasha Utilities—321 Milwaukee Street, Menasha**  
**Call 920-955-3760 with questions**

### Free to Drop Off

CPU Towers	iPod
Vacuums	Drills
Tape Players	Shredders
Phones	Fax Machines
Desktop Printers	Record Players
Speakers	Game Systems
Coffee Machines	Electrical Saws
CD Players	and more!
DVD Players	
Power Supplies	
Laptops	
Scanners	

### Chargeable Electronics

Computer Monitors	\$20 each
29" and under TVs	\$20 each
30"-49" TVs	\$40 each
50" and above TVs	\$60 each
Wood Console or Projection TVs	\$60 each
Large Copy Machines/Printers	\$15 each
Microwaves	\$15 each
Dehumidifiers	\$20 each
Mini-refrigerators	\$20 each
Small A/C Units	\$20 each
Ovens or Dishwashers	\$25 each
Washers or Dryers	\$25 each

# *Resthaven Cemetery and Menasha's Section of Oak Hill Spring Clean Up Announcement*

Spring Clean-up will take place on the First Monday of April (April 2, 2018). All items will be removed by cemetery staff. This will include artificial bouquets, wreaths, and live floral arrangements.

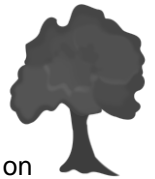
After the 4/2/18 floral arrangements may be replaced by the grave marker. The arrangements must be placed in one of the following:

- Urns placed on concrete slabs adjoining or part of the grave marker base;
- Pennie planters placed on the side of the marker—these holders are placed under the grave marker and extend up the side of the marker;
- Planters mounted on a ¾" pipe extended 28" above the ground level. These planters shall be placed alongside the grave marker.

No Glass and Tin containers for cut flowers permitted.

Items removed by cemetery staff from grave markers will be stored for 2 weeks, after which, items will be disposed of. For any questions please call Vince Maas, Park Superintendent, at 967-3642.

## *City Tree Planting Program*



In 2018 the City's Forestry division will target districts 3 & 4. Other districts may receive trees depending on availability. Trees will be planted in the Spring and Fall.

Trees will be planted in terrace areas which are at least three (3) feet wide, ten (10) feet from a driveway, five (5) feet from a water service, thirty five (35) feet from intersections, and thirty (30) feet from other trees. Terraces without overhead utilities will have priority for tree planting. Tree locations will be determined by the City Forester.

Residents wishing to have a tree planted in the terrace area, even if you are not in the above districts, should contact the City Forester. Any questions in regard to the tree planting program should be directed to Vince Maas, City Forester at 967-3642.

## *Emerald Ash Borer*

The City of Menasha has NO known reports of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) within the city limits, however, EAB has been found in Appleton, Neenah, and Black Wolf just south of Oshkosh, which means Outagamie and Winnebago Counties are quarantined.

The quarantine will apply to all of Outagamie and Winnebago County. It prohibits wood products being moved out of the county to areas that are not infested. For private citizens, this means they cannot take firewood from either Winnebago or Outagamie county to non-quarantined counties. For businesses handling wood products that could carry EAB, it means they must work with DATCP to assure their products are pest-free before shipping.

We will continue to monitor the public trees for any signs of the Emerald Ash Borer. The City's EAB management plan can be viewed on the city's website under the Forestry Department.

For more information on EAB visit <http://www.emeraldashborer.wi.gov>  
If you have questions call Vince Maas at 967-3642.



## Menasha Health Department

### 2018 Immunization Clinic Schedule

#### Departamento de Salud Pública de Menasha Horario de 2018 de las Clínicas de Inmunización

100 Main Street, Menasha, WI 54952

Children who are VFC eligible can visit the Menasha Health Department for vaccines. Niños elegibles pueden visitar el Departamento de Salud Pública para recibir sus vacunas.

#### **920-967-3520: Call for an appointment—Llame para pedir una cita.**

January 10 (de enero)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

February 14 (de febrero)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

March 14 (de marzo)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

April 11 (de abril)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

May 9 (de mayo)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

June 13 (de junio)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

July 11 (de julio)—9-11:30 am only

August 15 (de agosto)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

September 12 (de septiembre)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

October 17 (de octubre)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

November 14 (de noviembre)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

December 12 (de diciembre)—10-11:30am & 3-4:30pm

#### Who is eligible? ¿Quien es elegible?

Children through 18 years of age who are:

Niños hasta 18 años de edad que:

- ◆ Medicaid or Badgercare eligible—son elegibles para recibir Medicaid o Badgercare
- ◆ Uninsured—no tiene seguro médico
- ◆ American Indian or Alaska Native—Nativo Americano o Nativo de Alaska
- ◆ Underinsured (has health insurance that does not cover all vaccines or only selected vaccines)—tiene seguro médico insuficiente

Contact the Health Department for specific eligibility

requirements. Pongase en contacto con el Departamento de Salud Pública para los requisitos específicos al 967-3520.

Children who are insured for vaccines should visit their primary care provider. Niños con seguro médico que cubre las vacunas deben ir a su médico general para recibir.

#### **Did you know...**

##### **The City implemented the Paint and Restore Program to help fund exterior repairs and improvements to City of Menasha residents' homes through grant reimbursement?**

This program is available to any owner of a single or two-family residential property located within the city limits that has an assessed value at or below the City's median value (\$118,400.00, per the US Census Bureau).

Examples of eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- ⇒ exterior painting of the primary building, detached garage, or accessory building (shed)
- ⇒ painting or staining of porches, railings, decks, or fences
- ⇒ demolition and removal of structures deemed dilapidated by the city building inspector
- ⇒ re-roofing and/or residing of the primary building, detached garage, or accessory building (shed)
- ⇒ repair or replacement of existing windows on the primary building, detached garage, or accessory building (shed)
- ⇒ repair or reconstruction of existing interior sidewalks, or masonry steps

For further information or to see if your upcoming project is eligible for grant reimbursement, visit the Community Development webpage or contact Kristi Heim, Community Development Coordinator, at 967-3650.



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Downtown Menasha

Marina Terrace

June 14-October 25

## Menasha Leads In Novel Approach to Prevent Lead Poisoning

By now most of us have heard about the tragedy in Flint, Michigan, whereby lead leached into the water system and poisoned citizens. You might wonder how this can happen and what is being done to prevent it from happening in our own communities. Aside from close monitoring and control of our local water supply and continuing efforts to replace all leaded water lines throughout the City, the Menasha Health Department has taken action to improve upon the national standards/guidelines for childhood lead screening.

### **Background for Change:**

Prior to 1978, lead paint was widely used in homes. Prior to 1986, lead was also used in water supply lines. In time, lead paint deteriorates and creates a barely visible toxic dust. Paint on doors and windows deteriorates faster, as the rubbing surfaces create dust almost immediately. Once inhaled or ingested, lead damages the nervous system and can affect every major organ in the body.

Children are most susceptible to the toxic effects of lead. This is because of their rapidly developing nervous system, their exploratory and mouthing behaviors, and their blood-brain barriers not being fully developed, which allows for greater passage of lead into their central nervous systems.

For decades we have known high levels of lead exposure can cause significant negative health effects, even death. Low level exposures were once thought to be harmless; however, recent retrospective studies have shown statistically significant declines in IQ and correlations to criminal behaviors.

Lead poisoning prevention programs focus largely on childhood lead exposures. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends screening all children under the age of 6 years using a questionnaire to identify risks for lead exposure and, if present, a blood test to see if a child has been lead poisoned.

There are several problems with the current screening guidelines. First and foremost, it is focused on secondary prevention and screens for

current or past lead exposures with a blood lead test to confirm toxicity. In other words, it identifies lead poisoning *after it has already occurred* and does nothing to *prevent* exposure in the first place.

Secondly, this questionnaire has been shown through studies to be *ineffective, performing little better than chance at identifying children at risk for lead poisoning*. A common reason for questionnaire failure is a lack of parental knowledge regarding the age of their home, especially if it is a rental. As this is a critical piece of the risk assessment that helps to determine if a child will receive a blood test for lead, answering incorrectly could miss children at risk, or alternatively, result in over testing.

Thirdly, there is a failure to address water sources for lead, which has been proven time and again to be an independent risk factor for lead poisoning.



Despite prevention efforts using these national guidelines, Wisconsin continues to have one of the nation's highest rates for childhood lead poisoning, with an estimated economic burden for direct medical costs at \$7 billion dollars.

### **Novel Approach to Lead Prevention:**

The Menasha Health Department, in partnership with a University of Wisconsin Oshkosh doctoral nursing student, has taken a novel approach to improve lead prevention and screening efforts. For the past two years, parents of newborns born in the City have been receiving

personalized information regarding potential lead hazards in their homes. Combining data from several City departments, Health Department staff is able to look up the age of a home and if leaded water lines are leading to it. Homes built before 1978 may have a high risk for having lead paint and leaded water lines may be at risk for leaching lead into drinking water.

Included with the information to parents is guidance on how to identify lead paint, how to eliminate hazards safely and economically, and personalized support from the staff at the Menasha Health department, including home visits and loaning of equipment to remediate known hazards. By providing this information to parents at the time of their child's birth, parents are able to significantly reduce and sometimes even eliminate lead exposures to their family. Additionally, parents are sent a follow up letter prior to their child's one year birthday as a reminder to discuss lead testing with their child's pediatrician.

This novel and inexpensive intervention shifts current screening methods from secondary prevention (identifying a problem once it is already there) to primary prevention (keeping a problem from happening in the first place). Data thus far indicates that, based on age of home and presence of leaded water lines, roughly half of all newborns in Menasha are born into homes with potential risks for lead hazards.

### **Conclusion**

Having an accurate screening tool is critical for identifying children at risk for lead exposure. Current lead screening guidelines are 20 years old and have been shown to be ineffective, performing little better than chance at identifying children with lead poisoning.

*As a nation we must do better, and as a city, Menasha is leading the way for this change.*

**For more information, call the Menasha Health Department at 920-967-3520**

### **Did you know...**

#### **There are some simple and important ways to reduce lead in drinking water?**

1. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Remember boiling water does not remove lead from water;
2. Before drinking, flush your home's pipes by running the tap, taking a shower, or doing laundry;
3. Regularly clean your faucet's screen;
4. Use water filters that remove lead—check with the Menasha Health Department for low cost options; and
5. If you use a filter to remove lead, change the filter regularly.



Tayco Tap—10 Tayco Street

Wilske's Pub—528 Milwaukee Street

Almost Family—880 Oneida Street, Suite E

Edward Jones—180 Main Street, Suite 2

Family Insurance Center—430 Third Street, Suite B

BnB: Boa's Noodles Bar—14 Tayco Street

#### **Coming Soon:**

C. Coakley Relocation Systems—160 Washington Street

### **Library Amnesty—May 2018**

Kids! Got fines? Something way overdue?

Bring it in—We forgive you!

For students in elementary, middle, or high school.

May 1-May 31

Your Elisha D. Smith Public Library fines are forgiven, no questions asked, no matter how late.

Lost a book? Bring in a new replacement, any title.

**City of Menasha**

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**2018 Elections**

February 20—Spring Primary

April 3—Spring Election

August 14—Partisan Primary

November 6—General Election

**Polling Places**

Districts 1 & 2—Senior Center—116 Main Street

Districts 3 & 4—Boys and Girls Club—600 Racine Street

Districts 5 & 7—Clovis Grove School—974 9th Street

District 6—Jefferson School—105 Ice Street

District 8—Winnegamie Dog Club—2043 Manitowoc Road

In office absentee voting is held the 2 weeks before each  
election at Menasha City Center—2nd floor

100 Main Street

**Lake Winnebago  
Region Restructuring**

The UW System Board of Regents' November decision to restructure the UW Colleges and join them with 4-year comprehensive institutions ushers in an exiting and historic time for this Lake Winnebago Region, NE Wisconsin, and the entire state. UW Oshkosh, UW Fox Valley, & UW Fond du Lac have an opportunity to grow a new and strong institution: three campuses, one university.

Check out  
[www.restructure.uwosh.edu](http://www.restructure.uwosh.edu)  
for more information.